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Government must lead the way. It is going to have to set the example in combating inflation -- and a wealth of experience has shown that a tax increase is not the way to do it.

ONE PROGRAM THAT HAS WORKED. We Americans like to celebrate anniversaries, and few historic events get by without a ceremony, speech, or some other form of remembrance.

The silver anniversary of the signing of the G.I. Bill of Rights (Public Law 346) probably received little notice generally on June 27, but it is certainly not forgotten by some 2,277,000 Alabama veterans who have benefited from it.

It might well be the greatest single piece of legislation ever passed by Congress, and I am especially proud that as a member of the World War Veterans' Legislation Committee, (later to become the Veterans Affairs Committee) during the 78th

Congress, I helped draft the bill. At that time, the Committee was chaired by the late Congressman John Rankin of Mississippi.

Giving veterans the opportunity to get a college or trade school education, find a job, and buy a home, farm, or business, the program has had the effect of upgrading the entire economy of the nation.

With increased educational opportunities have come increased skills and productivity, coupled with the demand for increased wages, and a resulting increase in return of taxes to the Government. Needs in the vital fields of medicine and education are being filled, with a new corps of veterans entering professional fields.

A building boom was inevitable with the availability of home loans, and the home-building continues today, thanks to help extended to veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War by the Veterans Administration, which administers the program. Since the 1944

Morrow On Staff Of Task Force 140

Journalist First Class Charles D. Morrow, USN, son of Mr. H. W. Morrow of Elba, is serving on the staff of Commander Task Force 140. He assisted in the planning and training for contingency recovery operations of Apollo 11. He is working at the Recovery Control Center, Atlantic, at Norfolk, Va.

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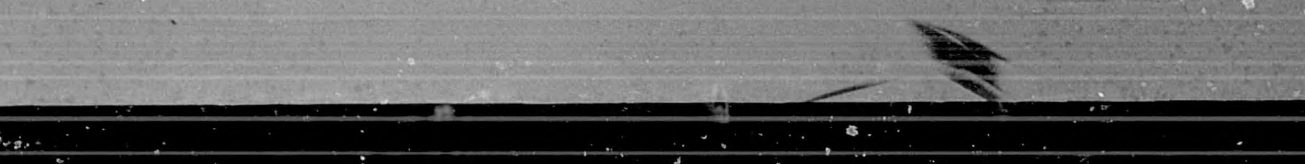
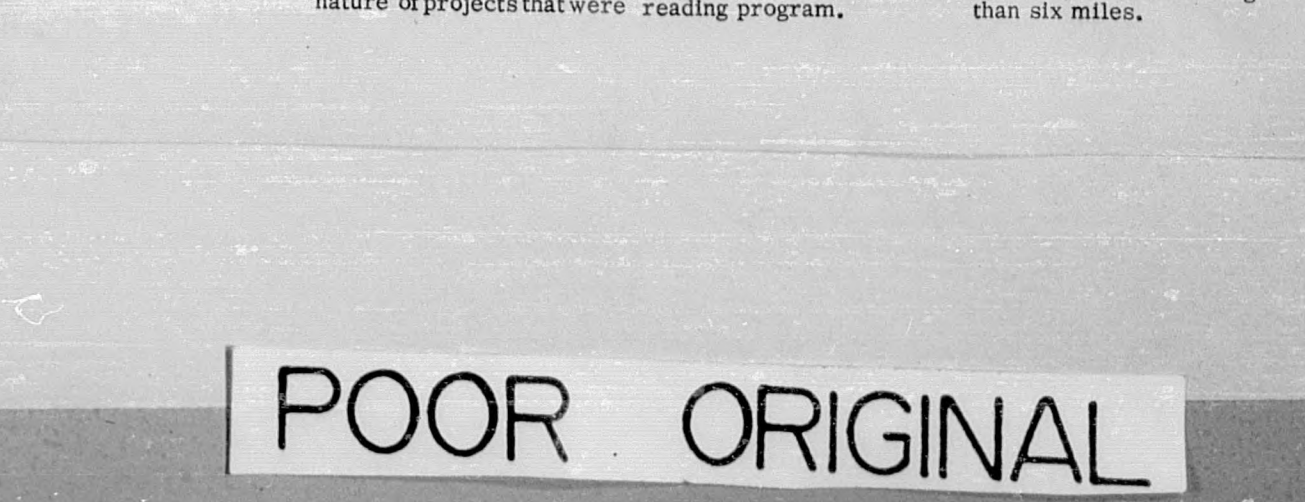
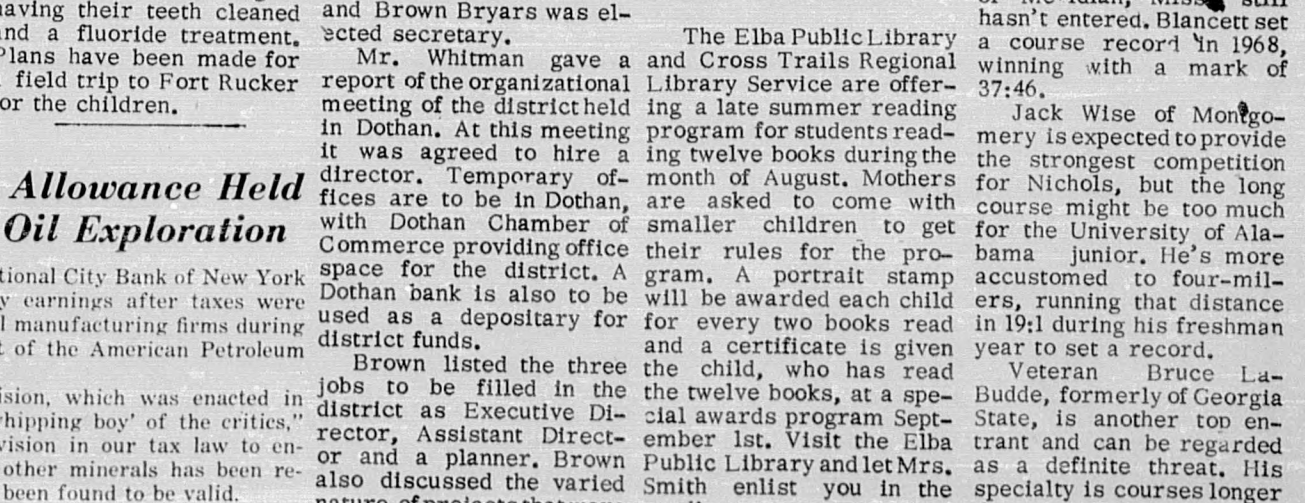
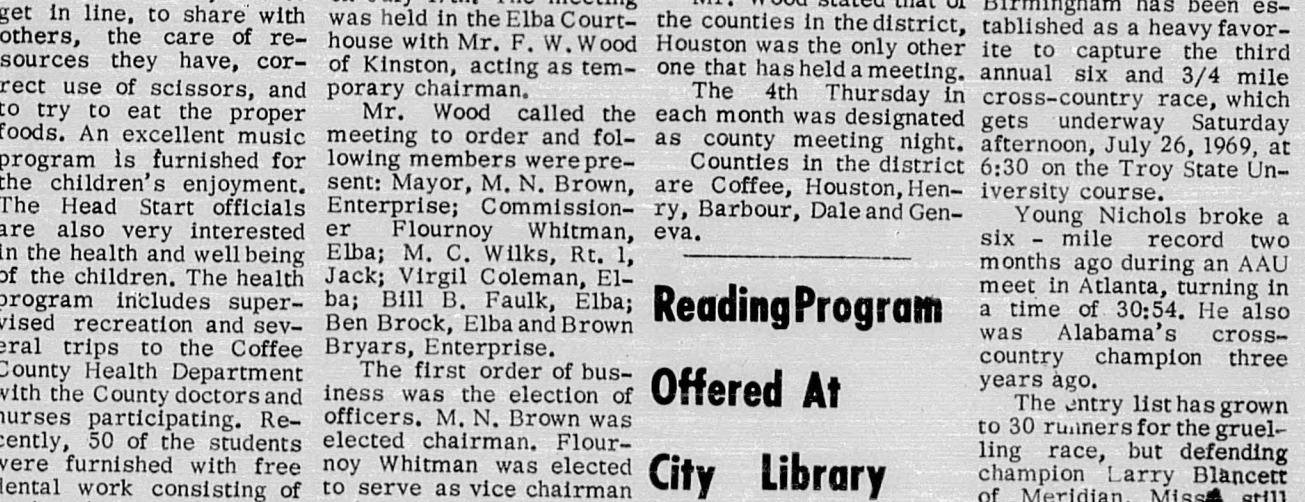
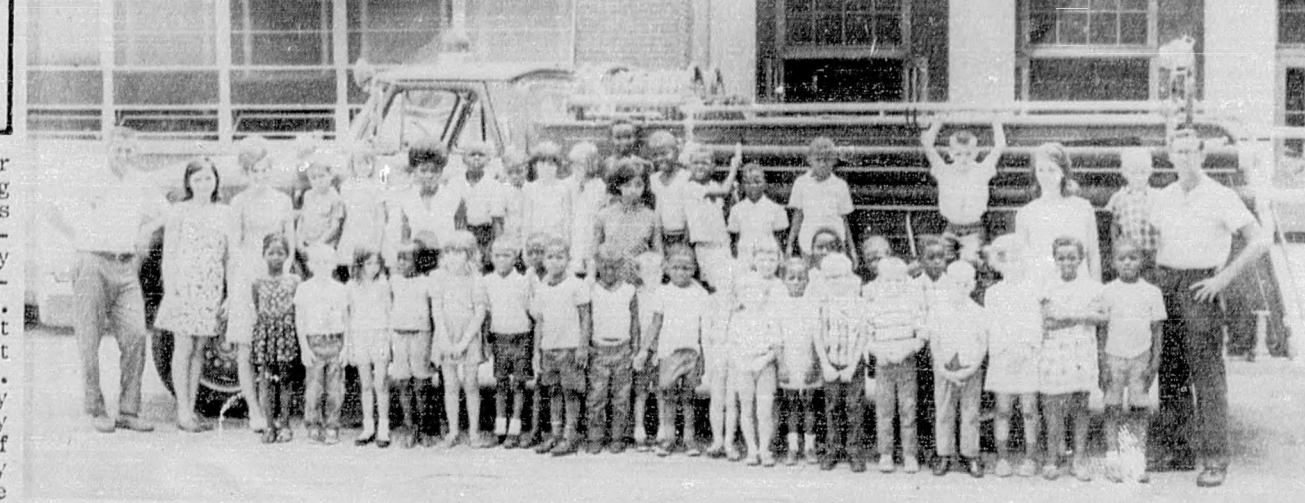
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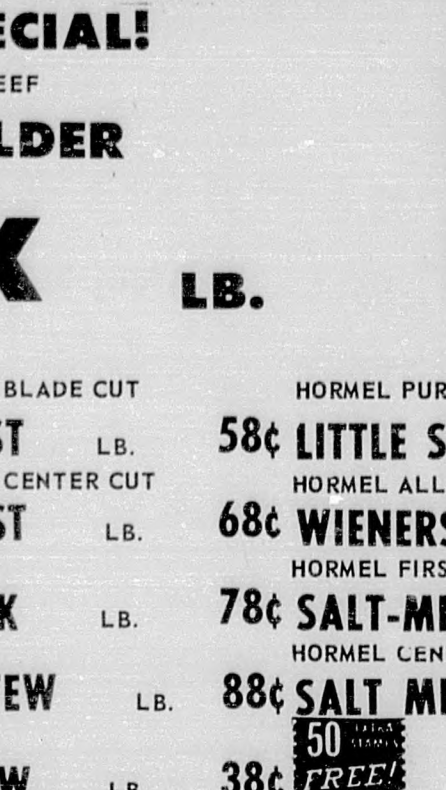
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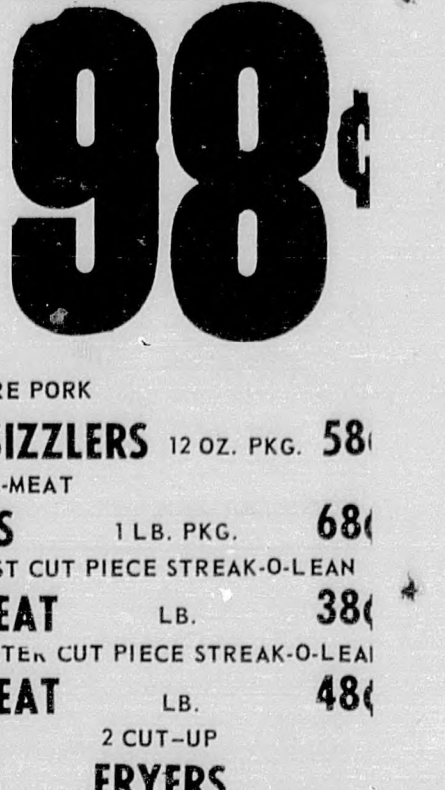
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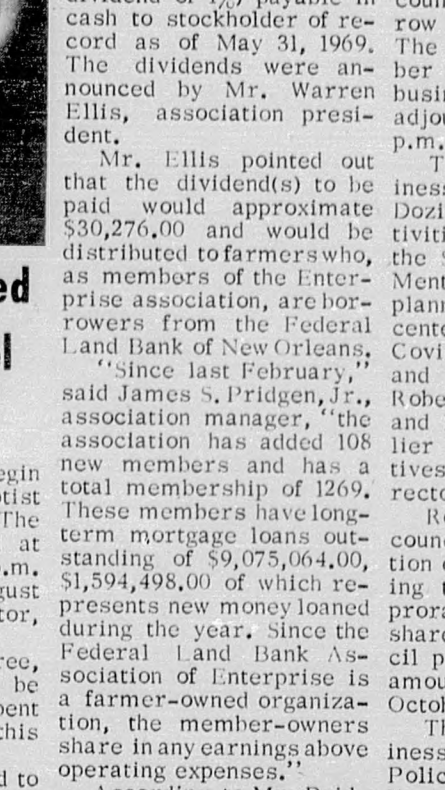
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